

## LITTLE MOUNTAIN, S. C. TOWN OF POMARIA, S. C.

*A Town of Green Hills and Cool Valleys in Days of Torrid Summer, Inviting Homes, Progressive and Productive Farms, Business and Commercial Life--In Touch With and Alongside of the Most Progressive Centers of the Most Progressive Nation on Old Mother Earth--Leads State in Rural School Progress and Interest In Education.*

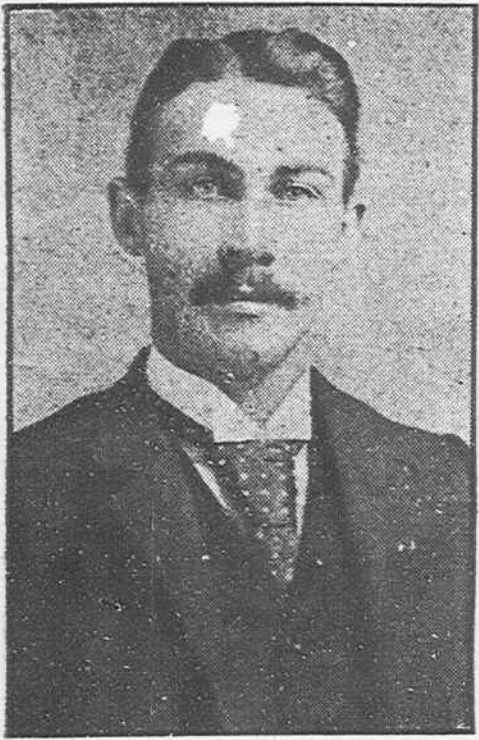
Little Mountain is one of the prettiest and brightest and one of the most progressive towns on the railroad between Columbia and Greenville. It is as pretty as a picture, situated among green hills, heavily wooded, with cool, dark valleys between, and dotted with comfortable farms and homes. It is a landscape well worth the pausing to see. The great hill from which it takes its name is a striking background to the town, a miniature mountain, rising abruptly among the rolling hills to a very considerable height. It was selected as the site for a government observatory for the view of a



JACOB SHEALY,  
Oldest Living Citizen of the County.

recent eclipse, because of the peculiar advantages offered.

Little Mountain has not been a town longer than the most of the readers of The Herald and News can recollect. It dates back to the completion of the Columbia, Newberry and Laurens road, though previous to that time there had been a very thriving settlement, and one store and a postoffice located not far away served by a star route. Mr.



J. B. DERRICK.

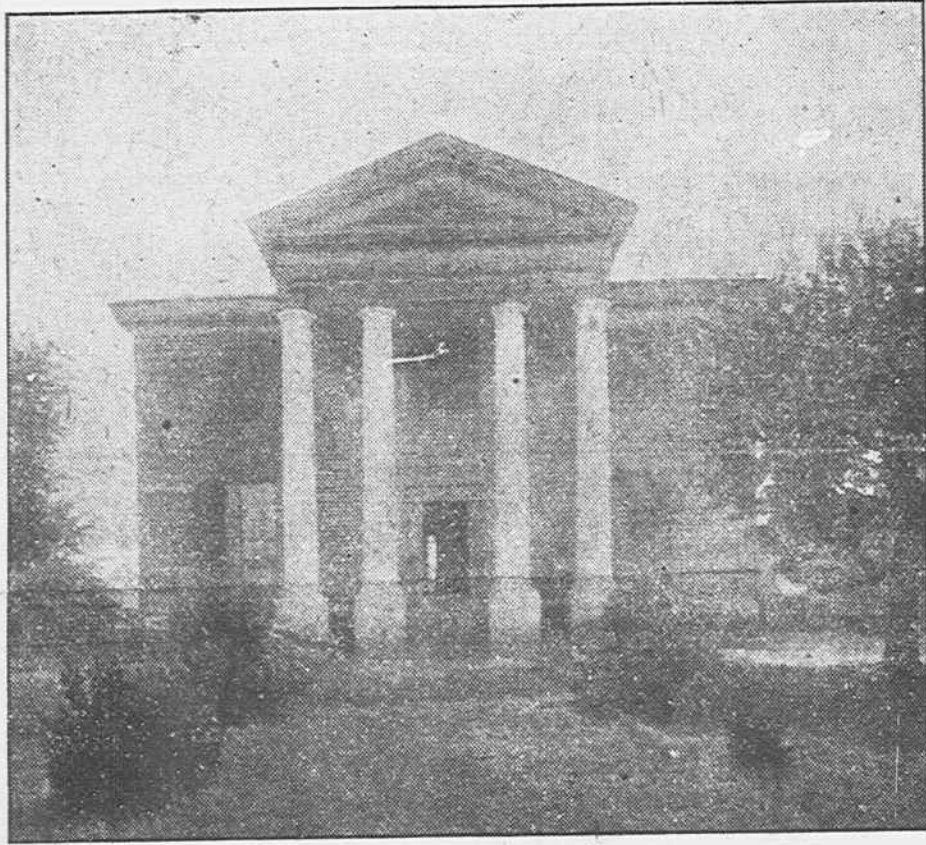
J. B. Lathan owned the store, and he has been one of the foremost men in the community since the little settlement began to grow into a town. Mr. S. J. Derrick, now professor in Newberry college, was the postmaster in those early days.

Little Mountain now has a population that entitles it to be ranked as one of the towns of the country, a good

bank, a large cotton oil mill, a good machine shop and wood working establishment, drug store and general merchandise stores, two hotels, both good ones, and one of the very best schools in the county. There is one church, representing the Lutheran denomination. The town is also a good cotton market and the leading market for poultry and eggs in the state, and

clerk and treasurer.

The school board consists of J. B. Derrick, chairman; A. N. Boland and W. A. Counts, who is secretary and treasurer of the board. The school is in charge of a lady superintendent, Miss Emma Swittenberg, with the following corps of teachers: Miss Elberta Sease, Miss Annie Mae Gentry, Miss Eunice Long, Miss Ernestine Wicker



LITTLE MOUNTAIN GRADED SCHOOL.

the setting point for a large quantity of mighty fine butter.

The pride of Little Mountain is its school, the people have always shown the greatest interest in this enterprise, and they have one of the most artistic and satisfactory school buildings in the state. It is one of the striking features of the town. When the district undertook to build this school building they found that the constitutional limitations were too narrow for them, but here was no limitation on their private pocket books, and they contrib-

and Miss Margaret Burton, in charge of the music. The school enrollment is about 150 pupils. The school is doing a very high grade of work in both high school and grammar grades, the pupils are ambitious and the teachers are all beloved by the towns folk as well as by the scholars. The people of the community are interested in the school and the work that it is doing, they respond readily to any demands that are made on them for its support, and they give the teachers all the aid and encouragement that they



W. A. COUNTS, CASHIER BANK OF LITTLE MOUNTAIN

uted the necessary funds and built the school at a cost of \$10,000. These school bonds are all that the community owes. The property values in the town are in the total about \$90,000. The taxation is for these bonds and their retirement, the town expenses, which are not very great, are met by a privilege license. The school tax is 10½ mills, for the district is small and has no great amount of taxable property in it.

The town government consists of A. N. Boland, intendant; W. B. Shealy, J. M. Kempson and R. O. Sheeley, wardens. Mr. W. A. Counts is city

can in the management of the children. The effect of the school on the people and the community has been very marked. It has been worth all that it has cost and more.

The people of Little Mountain are hospitable and openhearted. They are as independent as the proverbial wood sawyer, and have been for generations, because they were thrifty and home loving, home making people. The early settlers were hardy, honest Dutch folk, giving the name of Dutch Fork to the country they occupied, which

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*Pomaria Is One of Newberry County's Initial Settlements Which Has Shown Development and Progress and of which She is Proud--Pioneer Leader in Educational Advancement Which Awaited No Precedent, But Went Forward in a Manner Worthy of Emulation--Her Progress and Those Who Made It--Spirit of Local Patriotism and Business Progress.*

Pomaria is one of the oldest settlements in the county. For a number of years back, as far as we can remember, there were a few stores located at that place, but not until recent years have the people become so interested in the activities of life, and through their untiring efforts a wonderful growth can be seen, the town having been named years ago from a prosperous nursery that flourished here long before the railroads in this

market to a large number of thrifty and enterprising people who are developing the country between the two rivers in the lower part of the county.

The town of Pomaria is incorporated and has a town government composed of J. T. Kinard, intendant, and Roy J. Johnson, Joe Boland, Dr. Z. T. Pinner and J. P. Setzler, wardens. Mr. Adam L. Aull has been magistrate

ton whenever it is desired at six per cent interest. The merchants of the town keep a live and up to date line of merchandise that the surrounding community may purchase at the lowest prices.

#### School.

The Pomaria school has for a number of years been recognized as one of the best rural schools in this part



DR. Z. T. PINNER,  
President Bank of Pomaria.

section had been built. In latter years Pomaria has been widely known through the State as a prosperous and fast growing town. It is located on the old Columbia and Greenville road sixteen miles east of Newberry, four from the Broad river, and is surrounded by fertile farm land on every side with soil suited to almost any kind of truck, all of which is settled by good white in each and every enterprise that pertains to the welfare of the people.

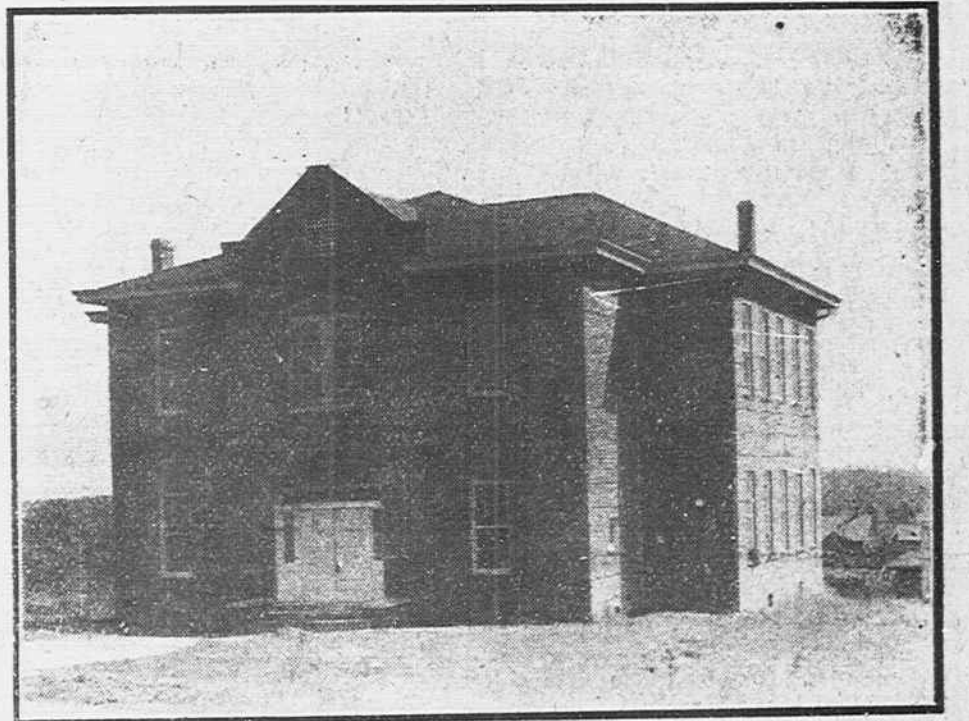
Citizens who take great interest



WALTER RICHARDSON,  
Correspondent Herald and News.

They have worked together, hand in hand, to the upbuilding of good roads and rural graded schools just such as to make country life desirable. One hundred and fifty of these homes are now reached by the rural telephones, all of which add to the business and pleasure of life. The telephone system was organized in Pomaria in 1907 with Mr. James P. Setzler as manager and Miss Anna Koon the efficient and faithful central. The success of the telephone system has been so complete and pleasant that it is steadily growing each day.

It is also with pleasure we mention the fact that there are three rural routes which go out from this town and deliver the mail at the door of the rural home each day. Pomaria is one of the best market towns in the county, a good business center, offering a



THE POMARIA GRADED SCHOOL.

there for three years.

They have a prosperous and thriving bank under the management of Dr. Z. T. Pinner, president; John C. Aull, cashier, who are ready and willing to serve the people at all times.

They have a thriving oil mill, owned and managed by Mr. A. H. Shealy.

The people in and around Pomaria



A. H. SHEALY,  
President Pomaria Oil Mill

have placed their shoulders to the wheel and erected a warehouse under the state warehouse system in which a great deal of cotton is being stored. Dr. Z. T. Pinner, the president of the bank, is loaning them money on cot-



JOHN C. AULL,  
Cashier Bank of Pomaria.



W. B. COUNTS, Merchant.

credit upon themselves and upon their former school-master. Among those men of prominence during the early



MISS ANNA KOON, Central.

history of the school we find such names as Col. Jno. F. Hobbs, Prof. J. B. O'Neill Holloway, Rev. J. E. Berley, Prof. C. W. Welch and others.

A decade later we find another group

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